

SENATE RESOLUTION 149

By Yager

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Roy Liles of Petros.

WHEREAS, the members of this legislative body were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Roy Liles; and

WHEREAS, Roy Liles was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, a Korean War veteran, Mr. Liles served his country in the United States Army and achieved the rank of corporal; and

WHEREAS, Roy Liles served with acumen and alacrity for thirty-nine years at Union Carbide, in which position he earned the respect of his peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, following his retirement, Mr. Liles played an integral part in the building of the Petros Fire Hall and was one of the founding members of its volunteer fire department; he became the director of the department in 1993, and his number, 814, was retired in 2010. He received the first Roy Shelton Memorial Fireman of the Year Award in 2017; and

WHEREAS, Roy Liles was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Roy Liles was the proud father of Melinda Hardin, and he is lovingly remembered by his brother, Ralph Liles, and his sisters, Wilma Davis, Euphemia Weiford, and Judy Layne; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Liles was preceded in death by his wife, Helen Wyrick; his grandson, Alex Hardin; his sisters, Rema Ladd and Linna Long; and his brothers, Reece Liles and Roger Liles; and

WHEREAS, Roy Liles leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this legislative body should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor the memory of Roy Liles, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Roy Liles.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.